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SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES ON TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY
OF TREATIES OF ROME

1. THE FIRST EUROPEAN COUNCIL MEETING OF 1977 WILL TAKE
PLACE MARCH 25-26. THE COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE ATTENDED BY
THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OF THE NINE EC MEMBER STATES AND BY
EC COMMISSION PRESIDENT ROY JENKINS, HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR
ROME IN ORDER TO MARK THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING
OF THE TREATIES OF ROME, WHICH CREATED THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC
COMMUNITY AND THE EUROPEAN ATOMIC ENERGY COMMUNITY.

2. IN VIEW OF THE COMMEMORATIVE OF OUR CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR
EUROPEAN UNITY, THE MISSION RECOMMENDS THAT THE PRESIDENT
SEND CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES TO UK PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN
(REPRESENTING THE BRITISH PRESIDENCY OF THE EC COUNCIL) AND
COMMISSION PRESIDENT ROY JENKINS.

3. THE FOLLOWING MIGHT CONSTITUTE AN APPROPRIATE MESSAGE
FROM THE PRESIDENT TO CALLAGHAN: IT IS MY PLEASURE TO
EXTEND, ON BEHALF OF ALL AMERICANS, CONGRATULATIONS ON
THE OCCASION OF THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING
OF THE TREATIES OF ROME. AS THE PEOPLES OF THE
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EUROPEAN COMMUNITY COMMEMORATE THIS EVENT, WE IN THE
UNITED STATES, AS WELL, ARE REMINDED OF THE UNPRECEDENTED STEPS
TOWARD A CLOSER EUROPEAN UNION THE
MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY HAVE TAKEN TOGETHER IN THE
LAST TWO DECADES, THEREBY CONTRIBUTING GREATLY TO THE
STRENGTH AND PURPOSE OF WESTERN SOCIETY. THE BEST
WISHES OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE GO WITH YOU AS YOU CONTINUE

A COMMON SEARCH FOR FULFILLMENT OF THE POLITICAL
AND ECONOMIC OBJECTIVES OF THE TREATIES OF ROME.

4. THE FOLLOWING MIGHT SERVE AS A PARALLEL
MESSAGE TO COMMISSION PRESIDENT JENKINS: ON BEHALF
OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I WOULD LIKE TO ENTEND MY
CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ON THE OCCASION OF THE TWENTIETH
ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNATURE OF THE TREATIES OF ROME.
THE PRINCIPLES LAID DOWN BY THE FRAMERS OF THE TREATIES
TRULY REFLECT OUR COMMON HERITAGE, ASPIRATIONS, AND
RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY.
IN THE TWENTY YEARS THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY HAS MADE
A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO STRENGHTENING WESTERN
SOCIETY AND THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY. OUR SUPPORT FOR
EUROPEAN UNITY REMAINS UNDIMINISHED, AND WE WISH THE
COMMISSION AND THE COMMUNITY WELL AS YOU MOVE INTO A
THIRD DECADE OF COMMON ENTERPRISE.HINTON

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